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25X1 6. [] Met with Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and in response to his question I told him that the meeting with the Nedzi Intelligence Subcommittee had gone extremely well that the members evidenced a real interest in the intelligence community and its activities. Mr. Preston noted, in passing, that he does not foresee at this time any possibility of the Chairman requesting briefings for either the Defense Subcommittee or "Special Group" during the next several weeks.

25X1 25X1A 7. [] Received a call from [] at the suggestion of Mr. Peter Scrivner, Administrative Assistant to Representative Melvin Price (D., Ill.), who requested an interview for possible employment as a research assistant with the Agency. An appointment was made for 10:00 tomorrow morning, 5 October, with [] OP.

25X1 8. [] Additional backup material for the Senate debate on Laos, prepared by FE, was delivered Saturday, 2 October, to Senator John Stennis.

25X1 9. [] Participated in breakfast and briefings of Chairman Lucien Nedzi, Representatives William Bray and O. C. Fisher, and staff officers Russ Blandford and Frank Slatinshek, House Armed Services Intelligence Operations Subcommittee. See Memo for Record.

25X1 10. [] Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, called and asked what we had been "saying" about the Symington amendment. I told him we had said nothing but had provided the backup material on Laos to Ed Braswell, Senate Armed Services Committee staff. (Woodruff has copies of most of this material.) I told him the facts were that we were conducting our Laos programs with a bare minimum of expenditures and any cutback whatsoever would seriously affect our programs there. Woodruff then asked if we were operating on the basis that the Symington amendment was applicable to the Agency. I told him that in our opinion the language of the amendment was so broad that it was not susceptible of any interpretation which would exclude us from its coverage.

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1. [] I picked up Representatives O. C. Fisher (D., Texas) and William Bray (R., Ind.), and Mr. John R. Blandford, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and brought them to Headquarters on different occasions during the morning. Representative Bray expressed the opinion that such meetings with members of the Armed Services Committees should have been started years ago. Mr. Blandford characterized the morning meeting as having demonstrated the Committee members great interest in the Agency.

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2. [] Met with Mr. Alex Schnee, office of Congressional Relations, Department of State, who told me it was his understanding that a compromise had been agreed upon between Senator Stennis (D., Miss.) and Senator Symington (D., Mo.) for a substitute amendment on restrictions on spending in Laos-[] with controls and no limit on bombing. 25X1

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3. [] In a chance meeting with Miss Dorothy Fosdick, National Security and International Operations Subcommittee staff, Senate Committee on Government Operations, as she came off the floor of the Senate during discussion of the Symington amendment to restrict spending on Laos, Miss Fosdick told me that it appeared that the compromise amendment limiting spending to [] with no restrictions on bombing would carry. 25X1

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4. [] In response to her call, met with Miss Fran Christy, Judiciary Committee staff, who told me that [] has been put on the agenda for a Subcommittee meeting tentatively scheduled for Thursday, 7 October, and asked that an updated Agency report be provided for the background file.

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5. [] Met with Mr. Drury Blair, Senate Immigration and Naturalization Subcommittee staff, who requested an updated briefing on the present status of [] and his employment prospects. I told him I would check the matter and be back in touch with him tomorrow or Wednesday.

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